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Thank you for your letter of 15 April 1957, enclosing the executed CIA forms.

We have explored the possibility of summer employment with this Agency, and I regret to say that the situation does not look encouraging. Due principally to our rigid security requirements, we have made it an Agency practice not to consider applicants for summer employment except in the clerical or stenographic fields, and then only in very few cases. You will appreciate that the cost to the Government of security investigations is substantial, and not generally considered to be justified except in the cases of applications for permanent employment here.

I gather from your letter and from the preference expressed on your form as to location that you are interested in an assignment overseas, and preferably one which would afford you experience which may later prove useful in the event that you choose a career in the diplomatic or foreign relations field. Unfortunately, there are no possibilities of summer employment of this type here. In order to be of maximum help to you, we have also checked with many other Federal agencies, including the Department of State, and there do not appear to be any summer openings that would provide professional training of that sort.

We note from your form that you have also applied to the Civil Service Commission for employment. If you are at all interested in temporary clerical work in the Government, this is the best channel to use. As we understand it, most Federal agencies have indicated that they would select for summer employment only those individuals who had passed a Civil Service examination for clerk-typist or clerk-stenographer. The Civil Service representative would be in a position to give you the details on this.

I am sorry that I cannot be more encouraging, but this is the situation as it now exists. We can perhaps put you in touch with agencies who might be interested in recruiting young men for summer jobs of a physical nature in various parts of the United States, if you are at all interested in exploring these possibilities. In the event that you are considering the possibility of permanent employment in the intelligence field, we would be happy to discuss the matter with you, although it is probably not profitable to do so until you are well into your senior year at college.

Sincerely,

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